

VZCZCXYZ0002  
OO RUEHWEB

DE RUEHC #5909 3331725  
ZNR UUUUU ZZH  
O R 281719Z NOV 08  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO RUEHBK/AMEMBASSY BANGKOK IMMEDIATE 6668  
INFO RUEHHI/AMEMBASSY HANOI 8135  
RHMFIUU/DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON DC

UNCLAS STATE 125909

SIPDIS, SENSITIVE

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: [MARR](#) [MASS](#) [MOPS](#) [PHUM](#) [PREL](#) [SNAR](#) [KCRM](#) [TH](#)

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT CLEARANCE FOR THAILAND LEAHY VETTING REQUEST -  
USAID/ILEA BANGKOK PANGOLIN AND BIG CATS WORKSHOP

REF: BANGKOK 3412

¶1. (SBU) The Department of State reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible evidence of gross violations of human rights committed by the individuals listed below. These individuals are candidates to attend the USAID/ILEA Q Special Investigation Group Workshop on Pangolin and Big Cats (SGIG) scheduled from January 7-9, 2008. The approximate U.S. funding for this training is approximately U.S. \$30,000.

¶2. (U) Candidates:

Name: Pol.Lt.Col. Hong Thai LE  
Title: Head of 2nd Squad of 2nd Division  
Unit: Vietnam Environment Police Department  
DPOB: July 10, 1967; Thai Nguyen Province, Vietnam

Name: Pol.Col. Sy NGUYEN  
Title: Deputy Director  
Unit: Vietnam Environment Police Department  
DPOB: July 10, 1967; Nghe An Province, Vietnam

¶3. (U) Post may provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individuals identified above, as of this date. Post may cite this cable in response.

¶4. (U) If, in the future, post becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individuals listed above, post should inform the Department and not proceed with training.

¶5. (U) POC for this action is Jameson DeBose:

-Email: DeBoseJL@state.gov

-Phone: 202-647-2989

RICE